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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to a non-final Office Action mailed July 15, 2003, the shortened statutory response period for which has been extended to November 15, 2003, by the accompanying one-month extension petition, please enter the following response in the above-identified patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on Page 6 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on Page 17 of this Amendment and include one (1) attached replacement sheet.

Remarks begin on Page 19 of this Amendment.

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